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105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 1522

[Report No. 105-484]

To extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 1, 1997

Mr. Hefley introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

April 21, 1998

Additional sponsors: Mr. Faleomavaega and Mr. Snyder

April 21, 1998

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on May 1, 1997]

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESER-2 VATION ACT. 3 The National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470 and following; Public Law 89-665) is amended as fol-5 lows: 6 (1) In the third sentence of section 101(a)(6) (16 7 U.S.C. 470a(a)(6)) by striking "shall review" and in-8 serting "may review" and by striking "shall deter-9 mine" and inserting "determine". (2) Section 101(e)(2) (16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(2)) is 10 11 amended to read as follows: 12 "(2) The Secretary may administer grants to the National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States, chartered by an Act of Congress approved October 26, 1949 (63 Stat. 947), consistent with the purposes of its charter and this Act.". 16 17 (3) Section 102 (16 U.S.C. 470b) is amended by 18 redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (f) and by 19 redesignating subsection (d), as added by section 20 4009(3) of Public Law 102–575, as subsection (e). 21 (4) Section 101(b)(1) (16 U.S.C. 470a(b)(1)) is 22 amended by adding the following at the end thereof: 23 "For purposes of subparagraph (A), the State and Indian 24 tribe shall be solely responsible for determining which pro-

fessional employees, are necessary to carry out the duties

- 1 of the State or tribe, consistent with standards developed
- 2 by the Secretary.".
- 3 (5) Section 107 (16 U.S.C. 470g) is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 "Sec. 107. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to
- 6 be applicable to the White House and its grounds, the Su-
- 7 preme Court building and its grounds, or the United States
- 8 Capitol and its related buildings and grounds as depicted
- 9 on the map entitled 'Map Showing Properties Under the
- 10 Jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol' and dated No-
- 11 vember 6, 1996, which shall be on file in the office of the
- 12 Secretary of the Interior.".
- 13 (6) Section 108 (16 U.S.C. 470h) is amended by
- striking "1997" and inserting "2004".
- 15 (7) Section 110(a)(1) (16 U.S.C. 470h-2(a)(1))
- is amended by inserting the following before the pe-
- 17 riod at the end of the second sentence: ", especially
- 18 those located in central business areas. When locating
- 19 Federal facilities, Federal agencies shall give first
- 20 consideration to historic properties in historic dis-
- 21 tricts. If no such property is suitable, then Federal
- 22 agencies shall consider other developed or undeveloped
- sites within historic districts. Federal agencies shall
- 24 then consider historic properties outside of historic
- districts, if no suitable site within a district exists.

- 1 Any rehabilitation or construction that is undertaken 2 pursuant to this Act must be architecturally compat-3 ible with the character of the surrounding historic 4 district or properties".
- 5 (8) The first sentence of section 110(l) (16 U.S.C. 470h-2(l)) is amended by striking "with the Council" and inserting "pursuant to regulations issued by the Council".
- 9 (9) The last sentence of section 212(a) (16 U.S.C. 10 470t(a)) is amended by striking "2000" and inserting "2004".
- 12 (10) Section 205 (16 U.S.C. 470m) is amended 13 by adding the following new subsection after sub-14 section (q):
- "(h) Any permanent employee of the Council as of December 31, 1997, may be appointed to a position in another agency of the Executive branch without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointments in the competitive service, if the agency or the Office of Personnel Management, as appropriate, determines that the

employee is qualified for the position.".

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